REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of papers 16 and 11, please enter the preceding amendments to the claims and consider the following remarks. Claim 1 has been amended, claims 2-20 have been canceled without prejudice, and claims 21-31 have been added. Thus, claims 1 and 21-31 are currently pending in this application.

Examiner stated that the preliminary amendment filed on May 1, 2000 was improper for a variety of reasons, and did not enter the amendment. By this Amendment B, Applicant responds to the rejections of Office Action paper 11.

Drawings & Specification

Applicant will provide formal drawings after receiving a Notice of Allowance from the Examiner. Applicant believes that the claims submitted with this Amendment B are in a proper form for examination.

Claim Objections

The objections to Claims 17 and 18 have been rendered moot by their cancellation (without prejudice).

Double Patenting

The Examiner has provisionally rejected claims 1-14 and 19-20 as statutory or obvious type double patenting in view of one or more of Application Nos. 08/798,704, 08/799,787, 08/808,882, and 08/810,620. Applicant has amended claim 1, cancelled the provisionally rejected claims 2-20, and added new claims 21-31. Applicant respectfully submits that the statutory and obvious type double patenting provisional rejections are now moot, and requests that the Examiner verify this with respect to the other applications. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections be withdrawn.

Prior Art Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103

Claims 1-5 and 7-18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C.102(e) as being anticipated by Templeton et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,692,126 ("Templeton"). Templeton teaches ISDN access to a fast packet data network. More particularly, it provides for a high speed data network that can provide voice, image and data transmission at acceptable costs to individual users.

Claims 19 and 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being unpatentable over Fielden et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,581,390 ("Fielden"). Fielden teaches an apparatus and method for conveying frame timing, data timing, and data in a space-based communications network including satellites placed in low earth orbits.

Claim 6 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Templeton in view of van Hoff et al. (ISBN 0-201-48837-X) ("Van Hoff"). Van Hoff is a short article discussing Java applets and their use in Java-enabled (HotJava) browsers.

The Prior Art Distinguished

In view of the cancellation (without prejudice) of claims 19 and 20, which were directed to satellite-enabled embodiments of the present invention, the space-based communications network teachings of Fielden et al. are rendered moot. However, Applicant reserves the right to reintroduce claims 19 and 20 and other such claims in continuing applications, respectfully traverses the rejections of claims 19 and 20 as made by the Examiner, and reserves the right to swear behind this reference at a future date.

Independent claim 1 was rejected over Templeton. Applicant observes that this is a 102(e) prior art rejection, and reserves the right to swear behind this reference at a future date. However, this would not appear to be necessary, as the teachings of Templeton are entirely different from the invention of Applicant's claim 1. Templeton teaches a fast ISDN network, but nowhere teaches the combination, let alone the elements, of claim 1. For example, Templeton does not teach a central processing unit coupled to a TCP/IP protocol network implementing a computer program which permits it to serve as a host computer for client computers such that input devices of the client computers can be used to generate inputs to said host computer, and such that image information generated by said host computer and sent in portions containing incremental changes can be view by the client computers. In other words, a host computer on the Internet or other TCP/IP protocol network can be controlled by a client computer on the network such that the keyboard and mouse of the client computer serves as the keyboard and mouse of the host computer, and such that the display of the client computer serves as the display of the host computer. Therefore, a network accessible computer can supply the computing power and

programs required by a client computer as if it were connected by long wires to the client's keyboard, mouse, and monitor. Nowhere does <u>Templeton</u> suggest or describe such a system.

Claim 6 was rejected as being unpatentable over <u>Templeton</u> in view of <u>Van Hoff</u>. This rejection is again rendered moot by the cancellation (without prejudice) of claim 6. Applicant however admits that Java technology *per se* is prior art to the present invention and, yet, never before, to the knowledge of Applicant, was it used in combination with the other elements of the claimed invention. That is, to the knowledge of Applicant, never before the present invention has a host computer provided the necessary programming to a web browser to allow it to control the operation and display the display of the host computer as claimed by Applicant.

Independent claim 25 is also believed to be patentable over all of the art of record, both singly and in combination, for the same reasons as set forth above. The remaining dependent claims are dependent upon either independent claim 1 or 25, and are therefore believed to be patentable over the art of record for at least the same reasons.
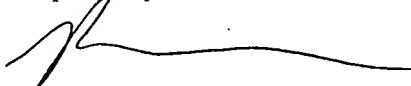
Conclusion

In view of the forgoing, all claims are believed to be in proper form and patentable over the art of record. Applicant therefore requests that the objections and rejections be withdrawn, and the application be allowed to issue.

It should be noted that Applicant has amended the claims in order to expedite prosecution of this application, and not to narrow the claims for the purpose of patentability. Applicant reserves the right to claims of the originally presented scope and variants thereof in continuing applications.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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